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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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SERIAL NO. : 10/049,438 (Natl. Phase of PCT/JP00/05728)  
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FOR : A POLYESTER POLYMERIZATION CATALYST,  
POLYESTER PRODUCED BY USING THE SAME, AND  
A PROCESS FOR PRODUCING POLYESTER

GROUP ART UNIT : 1754

EXAMINER : (Unassigned)

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**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Prior to examination of the above-identified PCT national phase application,  
please enter the following amendments.

**In the Claims:**

Please add new claims 21-36:

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21. (New Claim) The polyester polymerization catalyst according to claim 10,  
wherein one or more metals and/or metal compounds selected from the  
group consisting of alkali metals or compounds thereof and alkaline earth  
metals or compounds thereof are coexistent therewith.

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